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RESPONSE

ATTENTION: Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed June 29, 2005, reconsideration and allowance of the application are requested for the reasons set forth below.

Amendments to the claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 7 of this paper.